OUTGOING MESSAGE COMINI Approved For Release 2000/08/31 : CIA-RDP78S01932A000100 ZCN П DATE-TIME GPOUP CITE MESSAGE REFERENCE NUMBER SZHWNAID IMMEDIATE WHITE HOUSE//SITUATION ROOM FOR MR FAZIO, STATE RCI//OPERATIONS CENTER MR FRY, NMCC//ATTENTION CIA REP. TREASURY DEFT//INFO 25×1A WARNING NOTICE SENSITIVE INTELLIGENCE SOURCES AND METHODS INVOLVED 25X1X6Á (ITEM NO: 10 DECEMBER 1974 DATE: SUBJECT: REF 25X1A6b 25X1X7 THE TURKS HAVE NO INTENTION OF INITIATING A THIRD MILITUARY OPERATION ON CYPRUS. ONLY A "VERY 25X1X7 SERIOUS" GREEK PROVOCATION COULD PROMPT THE TURKS TO BREAK THE CEASE-FIRE, AND IN NO CASE WOULD TURKISH COMMANDERS IN THE FIELD BE PERMITTED TO MOVE ON THEIR OWN INITIATIVE. IF A SERIOUS PRO-VOCATION DOES OCCUR- THE SITUATION WILL BE REVIEWED IN ANKARA BY CIVILIAN AND HILITARY LEADERS BEFORE ANY DECISSION ON A MILITARY OPERATION IS MADE. 10 DEC 74 /шнss 25X1A9a RETURN TO ARCHIVES & RECORDS CENTER CIA OPS CTR EXT: 34EP IMMEDIATELY AFTER USE 224885 JOH 7851932 MIX Approved For Release 2000/08/31°: CTATRDP78S01932A000100120010-4

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TURKISH LEADERS WOULD BE VERY

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RELUCTANT TO APPROVE A THIRD OPERATION.

THE TURKS

ALREADY CONTROL MORE OF CYPRUS THAN THEY NEED AND DEFINITELY DO NOT WANT TO INCREASE THEIR HOLDINGS. THEY ALSO REALIZE THAT ANY FURTHER MILITARY OPERATIONS WOULD MAKE A POLITICAL SETTLEMENT MUCH MORE, DIFFICULT TO ACHIEVE. WHICH WOULD HAVE THE EFFECT OF TYING THE TURKISH MILITARY DOWN IN CYPRUS INDEFINITELY.

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THAT WERE IN ALERT STATUS PRIOR TO THE TWO PREVIOUS ROUNDS OF FIGHTING HAVE TAKEN ONLY PRELIMINARY MEASURES SUCH AS RESTRICTING LEAVE. AS A FURTHER PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE, THE "WAR ROOM" AT TURKISH GENERAL STAFF HEADQUARTERS HAS REPORTEDLY INSTITUTED A 24-HOUR WATCH.

TURKISH PREPARATIONS FOR THE POSSIBILITY OF RENEWED HOSTILITIES WERE BASED ON THE TURKISH FEAR THAT ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS' RETURN TO CYPRUS WOULD SET OFF FIGHTING WITHIN THE GREEK CYPRIOT COMMUNITY AND MIGHT THREATEN TURKISH LIVES. THE ARCHBISHOP HAS BEEN CONCILIATORY SINCE HIS RETURN LAST SATURDAY, HOWEVER, AND THE POSSIBILITY OF SERIOUS VIOLENCE OCCURING HAS BEEN GREATLY REDUCED. THE CHANCES OF GREEK CYPRIOTS PROVOKING THE TURKS INTO RENEWED MILITARY ACTION NOW SEEM REMOTE. E-2 IMPDET.4

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